SENATE AGRICULTURE

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## Humane Alternatives for Unwanted and In-Crisis Horses In Montana

## Programs offered:

Rescue and sheltering

Trained foster care - long- and short-term

Rehabilitation of injured, sick, dangerous and starved horses

Placement of horses in permanent, qualified homes

Euthanasia clinics

Euthanasia grants

Hay grants to financially strapped horse owners

Workshops to educate horse owners about care, behavior and training

Birth control for mares via immunocontraceptive darting or injection

Training for law enforcement in equine cruelty investigation

Training for law enforcement and rescuers in custodial care

Nonprofits and individuals who help unwanted and in-crisis horses with the various programs listed above:

For contact information and phone numbers, contact Montana Horse Sanctuary, Helena (406) 458-9722.

Montana Horse Sanctuary, Helena

Rolling Dog Ranch, Ovando

Montana Large Animal Sanctuary, Hot Springs

Bright Eyes Animal Sanctuary, Choteau

Humane Society of the United States

Lewis and Clark County Animal Shelter

Montana Animal Care Association

Montana Department of Livestock (cruelty investigation training)

Horse Haven Montana, Huson

Deer Haven Sanctuary, Livingston

United In Light Draft Horse Sanctuary, Livingston

Chris Christofferson's horse rescue, Seeley Lake

Shannon Alexander's Horse Rescue, Corvallis

Marilyn Taylor, Florence
Jen Heidmann, Three Forks
Erin Andersen, Bozeman
Deborah Nickou, Browning
Willing Servants, Hamilton
Montana Pets on the Net, Helena
The Indian Pony Girls, Billings
Alice Tailfeathers, Browning
Rimrock Humane Society, Roundup
Bitterroot Humane Society, Hamiltono
For the Love of Horses, Kalispell
Bagnell Farms, Missoula
Dunrovin Ranch, Lolo
4-H Clubs of Montana
Pony Clubs of Montana

## Montana Therapeutic Riding Centers

Bitterroot Therapeutic Riding. Corvallis
Butte Special Riders, Whitehall
Eagle Mount-Bozeman
Eagle Mount-Great Falls
Eagle Mount, Helena
Faith Therapeutic Riding Service, Inc., Lolo
Shooting Star Ranch Therapeutic Riding Program, Darby
STAR Riding Program, Inc., Billings